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- ☐ This application is being filed by more than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(5), a new oath or declaration is enclosed, and the Commissioner is requested to add the name(s) of the following person or persons who are inventors of the invention being claimed in this application.

(a) Full Name _____
(b) Full Name _____
(c) Full Name _____

- ☒ Applicant(s) suggests Figure 3 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and/or patent.
1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior Application No. 09/137,971 as originally filed on August 21, 1998, including copies of the specification, claims, drawings and the executed oath or declaration as filed.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a revised prior application and a copy of the prior executed oath or declaration as filed. No new matter has been added to the revised application.
3. ☒ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
4. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below ☒ and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

C L A I M S					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$710.00 (101)
Total Claims	16	MINUS 20 =		× \$18.00 (103) =	
Independent Claims	5	MINUS 3 =	2	× \$80.00 (102) =	160
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$270.00 (104)					
Total Application Fee					826
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					413
Add Assignment Recording Fee of \$_ if Assignment document is enclosed					
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					\$413.00

5. ☐ Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.



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6. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 413.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.
8. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-6 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
9. ☒ New formal drawings are enclosed.
10. ☐ Priority of Application No. filed on in (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

☐ The certified copy of the priority application

☐ is enclosed.

☐ was filed on in prior Application No. , filed on , and acknowledged by the Examiner on in Paper No. .

☐ has not yet been filed.

11. ☒ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

☒ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional of Application No. 09/137,971, filed on August 21, 1998 which claims benefit of 60/056,043 filed on September 2, 1997; which claims benefit of 09/120,172 filed on July 21, 1998; which claims benefit of 60/053,407 filed on July 21, 1997; and claims benefit of 09/012,382 filed on January 23, 1998, now US Patent 6,017,634, which is a continuation of 08/897,968 filed on July 21, 1997, now US Patent 5,985,043, and a continuation of 08/926,159 filed on September 9, 1997, now US Patent 5,985,456---

☐ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional of U.S. Application No. , filed on , which was a national stage filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of International Application No. filed on , which International Application ☐ was ☐ was not published by the International Bureau in English on ---

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12. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
13. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

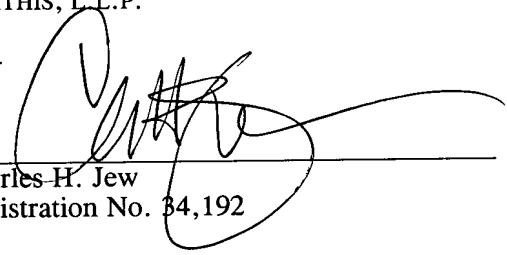


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14. ☐ A General Authorization for Payment of Fees and Petitions for Extensions of Time is enclosed.
15. ☐ Also enclosed .
16. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to T. Gene Dillahunty, Esq., Reg. No. 25,423 and Charles H. Jew, Reg. No. 34,192.
- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
 - b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
 - c. ☐ Recognize as Associate Attorney .
 - d. ☐ Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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- ☒ attorney or agent of record
- ☐ filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.34(a)



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